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LETHALITY USING CURCUMIN

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICIAL ACTION OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2001

Reconsideration and further examination is respectfully requested in view of
the following amendments and remarks:

In the Claims

Please amend the following claims:

2 (Twice Amended). A method for monitoring septic shock conditions in an
animal wherein the method comprises:

- a) injecting intraperitoneally a bacterial lipopolysaccharide (LPS)
solution to an animal to induce septic shock,
- b) administering orally a pharmacologically effective dose of
curcumin prior to and after the injection of LPS,

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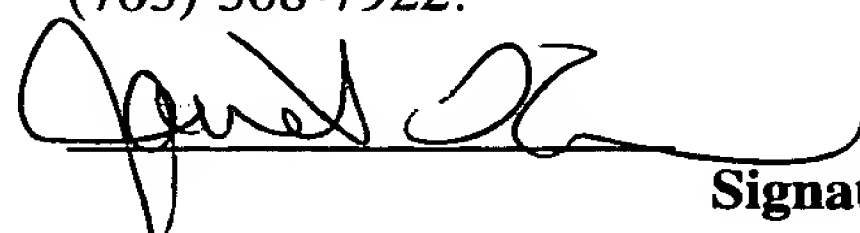
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